

SEEK WAY TO RUN BUREAUS WITHOUT FUNDS

Department Heads Wrestle
With Shortage From Deficiency
Bill Failure.

MANY JOBS IN JEOPARDY

Trade Commission Decides on
Immediate Cut in Field and
Local Force.

With the salaries of many hundreds of Government employees in Washington in jeopardy as a result of the failure of Congress to pass the urgent deficiency bill, heads of all Government departments are working today upon ways and means to meet the situation.

An immediate cut in the field and Washington forces of the Federal Trade Commission is to be made to meet the deficiency there, where action has been determined upon.

There is a shortage of \$223,000 in the salary fund at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Furloughs or discharges have not yet been determined upon.

To Keep Schools Open.

The District Commissioners announced that every possible means would be used to meet the coal shortage situation to keep the schools and other District institutions open.

An authority in Congress declared today that it would be possible in most instances for departmental officials to keep running on "credit," without incurring the penalty of dismissal, fine or imprisonment provided by law for incurring a deficiency.

In other instances, he said, it would be impossible, and distinctions would have to be finally drawn to keep Government work going without violation of law.

Feeling that the situation is grave in all of the departments, particularly his own, which includes the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has called a conference of all his chiefs and for written reports, showing just how badly activities of the department would be crippled by failure of the deficiency and sundry civil bills.

Felt in All Branches.

Effects of the lapse of these measures in the last Congress will be felt throughout the country, where there are no funds available to finish buildings under construction and to run those in operation.

A high official of the Treasury department today that executive officers of the Government had been placed not only in an embarrassing situation, but one involving many difficulties and perplexities.

In nearly all the departments the question is an open one as to what can and cannot be done.

It is possible that the entire situation will be placed before the President for consideration, and either a general order as to procedure or for a call to Congress.

Cuts in Trade Commission.

An immediate cut in the force of the Federal Trade Commission must be made to meet deficiency in the commission's funds.

A number of employees of the commission in Washington and investigators of the field force, conducting the various industrial investigations, must be either dropped or furloughed. Just how many will go has not yet been determined.

DIES GOING TO UNDERTAKER

Pneumonia Victim Orders Chauffeur
to Drive Him to Place.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Christian Wimmer, forty-five years old, convalescing from pneumonia, started out to go in a taxicab from his home, 1306 Washington avenue, The Bronx, to the 125th street station of the New York Central, where he planned to take a train to Brewster to visit relatives there.

Members of his family were with him. The taxicab had gone only a few blocks when Wimmer said he felt worse and believed that he was going to die. He ordered the chauffeur to drive him to the establishment of an undertaker he knew on Third avenue. When the taxicab reached there Wimmer was dead. The body was delivered to the undertaker.

COUNT BONI'S SON HONORED

Young de Castellane Cited in
French Army Orders.

PARIS, March 7.—Georges de Castellane, the second son of Count Boni de Castellane, has been cited in army orders. His mother was formerly Anna Gould, of New York, who after securing a divorce married the Duke of Talleyrand and Sagan. The citation follows:

"Georges de Castellane of the French dragons has given entire satisfaction in his mission as chief of dispatch bearers in a district often bombarded. He has given proof of courage and coolness and went voluntarily to the aid of the wounded under a violent bombardment."

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NEWMAN HOPES TO GET SCHOOL COAL

"Not until every resource is exhausted will the public schools be closed."

This was the statement today of Commissioner Newman regarding the coal shortage in the District and the lack of funds for an additional supply.

"We are doing everything in our power to provide an adequate coal supply for the remainder of this fiscal year, and we have reason to believe that we will be successful," he said.

MD. PLANT TO BUILD U. S. SUBS

Daniels Announces Sparrows
Point Company Will Aid
Government.

Plans of the Government to utilize the Maryland Steel Company plant at Sparrows Point for manufacture of submarine hulls and other warcraft were outlined by Secretary of the Navy Daniels today.

Utilization of this plant's facilities probably will await the contemplated action of President Wilson in issuing an executive order to permit use of the \$100,000,000 bond issue voted by Congress to speed up construction of the naval program.

The Maryland plant built the drydock Dewey, several vessels used on the Panama canal work, and is equipped for building naval colliers and other vessels of small draft. Secretary Daniels said he believes the plant could easily be made available for building larger vessels.

Secretary Daniels continued today his conference with heads of the largest shipbuilding plants with reference to means for speeding up battle ship construction. He conferred also yesterday with Secretary of Labor Wilson and President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, to plan means of filling shortages of skilled laborers in the shipbuilding industry.

PREPARE FOR BIG ARMY

War Department Makes Inquiries
About Possible Officers.

With a view to training an army of a half million men, is need, the War Department has issued orders to regimental commanders on the border to prepare lists of "sixty men in each company who could be appointed to officers' places as high as captain to do training work."

The promotions will be made only in case of actual need. While the War Department said officially today there is no move afoot toward raising a big army of volunteers, it wishes to be prepared with sufficient training officers, should the emergency occur.

It is possible that the entire situation will be placed before the President for consideration, and either a general order as to procedure or for a call to Congress.

HARVARD MEN NOT ERECT

Physician Finds Four-fifths of
"Freshies" Have College Slump.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 7.—Harvard's freshmen class of 746 members, of which only one-fifth have a perfect posture.

Of the four-fifths of the class who have a faulty posture, three-fifths of them are unable to stand correctly. They were unable to pass muster. Two in every ten of these four-fifths have feet that make them unfit for immediate military duty.

Dr. Lloyd T. Brown, of Boston, conducted a postural examination of the men in connection with the physical examination held yearly. In the Harvard Illustrated Magazine, Dr. Brown, summarizing his findings, says:

"The principal demands in the new working agreement are for a rate of pay of 35 cents an hour for all conductors and motormen who are now receiving from 23 1/2 to 25 cents an hour, an increase of 10 cents an hour, and payment of extra wages to the traction employees for work on Sundays, holidays and overtime, and revision of the schedules so as to allow the employees to complete a day's work within ten, twelve or fourteen hours."

CAN'T WED STEPMOTHER

Register Refuses to Issue License to
Oddly Mated Pair.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 7.—County Register Frank C. Ball refused to grant a marriage license to a Pottsville young man to marry his stepmother, who is said to be twenty years older than he.

The register made his decision on moral principles after consultation with his deputy, Thomas Herb, who is a former county register.

There may be legal authority in Pennsylvania for a stepson to marry his stepmother, as they say they are not blood relatives, but the register says he will not grant the license unless the orphan's court orders him to do so.

SPRING STYLES RUN HIGH.

NEW YORK, March 7.—American buyers returning from Paris declare the spring styles are a blaze of brilliant color, and that only high grade goods are being made, and that "prices are high."

WHO WOULDN'T GO TO PEN?

OSHING, N. Y., March 7.—Marble finished shower baths, individual writing desks, linen covered tables and other comforts are being installed in the new Westchester county penitentiary in Eastview.

Florida Tourists' Patronage is merited by Atlantic Coast Line's "N. Y. & Florida Special" train on last season's record of punctuality. 8% perfect service. 166 New York Ave. N. Y.—Adv.

TROLLEY HEADS TO TREAT WITH MEN TOMORROW

Both Companies Give Notice
Today of Hearing
Hours.

UNION NOT RECOGNIZED

"Committee of Employees" Significant Phrase in Communications.

Clarence P. King, president of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, today informed the grievance committee of the company's employees that officials of the company would hold conferences with representatives of the men tomorrow afternoon, from 2 until 6 o'clock.

At the headquarters of the street car men's union, it was announced this afternoon that George A. Hamilton, president of the Capital Traction Company, had signified his willingness to resume conferences with the men tomorrow morning.

George Wilburt, president of the Street Car men's Union and a member of the Washington Railway and Electric Company employees' grievance committee, called upon Commissioner Newman shortly before President King's reply was received and laid before the Commissioner a copy of the correspondence which had up to that time passed between the union and the company. A short time before Wilburt's visit Commissioner Newman received a similar copy from the Washington Railway and Electric Company.

The chances for a change in the rules were discussed in detail. A joint conference committee consisting of six Democrats and five Republicans, named at caucuses held yesterday, held a meeting today for the purpose of threshing out differences of opinion over closure.

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Strenuous opposition exists to the proposal that a majority of the Senate be allowed to shut off debate.

Such a proposition could not be adopted without a prolonged fight, and it is doubtful whether it could be adopted at all. It is asserted that if the majority rule followed in making up the new rule on closure, it will be possible for a minority of the Senate acting through the Democratic caucus, to dictate legislation, as this minority and the White House see fit.

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MOVEMENT TO DEPOSE STONE FROM COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS GAINS SUPPORT AMONG SENATORS

CHANCES GROW FOR GAG RULE

Signs Multiply That Senate
Will Adopt Plan to Limit
Debate Without Storm.

LEADERS HARD AT WORK

Republicans and Democrats
Work Together on Plans to
Accomplish Scheme.

Signs multiplied today that the Senate would adopt a closure rule for the limitation of debate without the protracted controversy which was expected.

Largely because of the storm which has been stirred up over the filibuster which prevented the passage of the armed neutrality bill, both the Democratic and the Republican leaders are hard at work trying to evolve a new rule whereby debate can be limited and business expedited.

Early today the President went over the Senate program carefully with Senators Owen, Reed, Walsh, Swanson, Smith of Georgia, and James.

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A REASON FOR DEPOSING "BILL" STONE

AMSTERDAM, March 7.—Senators La Follette and Stone are lauded by the official press comments as representatives of the "best spirit in America," according to dispatches received here today summarizing German editorial views on the Senate filibuster. As a whole, the German press regards the filibustering Senators' stand as proper in "stemming Wilson's unreasoning ambition" and in voicing the sober sentiment of the American people who "do not propose to join the insanity of war."

Bitter comment on President Wilson's inaugural address was made by the Lokal Anzeiger, which dubbed the President as a "meglo-maniac" and declared his speech "desecrated" the National Capital.

WILSON READY TO ARM SHIPS

If He Has Power, Formal Announcement Is Expected
Within Few Hours.

Formal announcement by the President that he will instruct Secretary of Navy Daniels to arm American merchant ships, is expected within a few hours.

The President, it became known today on highest authority, has been told he has the power to do this. Immediately the order is issued Secretary Daniels will instruct commanders of navy yards at Boston, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and other yards, to issue the guns they have available.

To Rush Arrangements. In the meantime, arrangements for additional armament will be rushed to completion.

The President's decision was reached shortly after a conference at the White House today with Senators. He conferred also with Secretary Lansing, who had been instructed, together with Attorney General Gregory, to prepare for him a formal opinion as to whether he had power to go ahead with his armed neutrality plans for protecting the lives and property of American citizens, despite the filibuster that deprived him of Congressional sanction.

Following his conferences, the President is said to have wasted no time in reaching a decision.

Sudden Decision. He is said to have decided suddenly not to await change of rules by the Senate, which were designed to eliminate the unlimited debate rule and thereby make certain the passage of a resolution identical with that which the "willful few" men killed at the close of the session that died at noon Sunday.

The Cabinet is known to be divided on this question. Postmaster-General Burleson, who is regarded as the "politician" of the Cabinet, and Attorney General Gregory, who is a close personal and political friend of the Postmaster General, are understood to be opposed to any definite action at this time.

FREED OF MURDER CHARGE

Jury Holds J. A. Bentley Was Mentally Irresponsible at Shooting.

Joseph A. Bentley, former member of the District Fire Department, who has been on trial in Criminal Division, No. 1, for more than a week on a charge of second degree murder is today a free man. After being out more than eight hours the jury which heard the details of the killing last summer of Harry J. Sefters, a boarder at the Bentley home, brought in a verdict of "not guilty" at 9 o'clock last night.

Witnesses testified that Bentley was mentally irresponsible at the time of the shooting and was laboring under an impression that his victim was "breaking up his home." Dr. Charles M. Emmons, an alienist, declared that actions of the defendant prior to the tragedy afforded basis for the belief that Bentley was insane at the time of the killing.

Attorneys Richard J. Downey and Leonard Matlack represented the accused man.

GERARD BRINGS NO LETTER

Spanish Premier Denies He Has
Message From King Alfonso.

MADRID, March 7.—Count de Romanones, the Spanish premier, denies absolutely the report that James W. Gerard, returning American ambassador to Germany, was the bearer of a letter from King Alfonso to President Wilson.

The report that Ambassador Gerard was bearing a communication from the King of Spain to President Wilson was contained in a dispatch sent from Madrid to the Paris Herald March 2. This dispatch said it was reported in diplomatic circles in Spain that Mr. Gerard, who passed through Spain on his homeward voyage, carried with him a message from King Alfonso to President Wilson.

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GERMAN PRAISE AROUSES ANGER

Commendation of 'Gum-Shoe's'
Action By Teuton Press New
Evidence Against Him.

FIRST STEPS ARE TAKEN

Committee on Committees
Named to Try to Force Mis-
souri Out of Post.

With the naming of the Committee on Committees today by Senator Martin, the move to oust Bill Stone from the head of the Foreign Relations Committee took definite shape and those Senators favoring the retirement of the Missouriian got actively at work.

The feeling that Stone by his action of last week proved himself unfit to remain the head of this most important committee is well established and it is further felt that the President would look with little regret on his retirement.

The publication in the German press of editorial comments highly commending Stone was further convincing evidence that a man so highly regarded in German circles as he is not a proper man to hold a position so closely related to dealings with foreign governments.

Nation-Wide Demand. The demand for Stone's removal is coming from the whole country. Whether he will actually be driven out of the chairmanship is mooted about the Senate today. It is not at all certain that he will, because he is strongly entrenched politically and he has the support of many of the oldtime members of the upper house.

The thing which is plain is that there is intense dissatisfaction with Senator Stone as head of the committee on Foreign Relations within the Democratic ranks in the Senate.

The men named by the Senate Democratic caucus today for the new steering committee or committee on committees are Senators Martin, chairman; Hitchcock, vice chairman; Williams, James, Reed, Simons, Smith of Georgia; Walsh, Thomas, Chamberlain, Owen and Robinson.

Meeting Later Today. Senator Martin consulted with some of the committee this afternoon, and a meeting will be held later today.

A unique situation in connection with the possible ousting of Stone exists in the new Senate. Senator Kern, last Friday, presented a resolution, which was adopted, continuing the Senate committees of the Sixty-fourth (or last) Congress, during the present special session of the Senate.

In the midst of the rules fight yesterday, Senator Owen introduced the Sixty-fourth Congress assumed too much authority in attempting to continue its committees through the Sixty-fifth special session of the Congress. Owen claimed that inasmuch as the Sixty-fourth Congress died Sunday, they could not in any way govern or even suggest rules for the new Senate which was sworn in Monday.

Owen pointed out that the sixteen new members had every right to demand a say even during the special session, since they had no voice in the last session.

Stone's Defenders. Lukewarm supporters of Senator Stone defend him, saying that he did his duty as chairman of the committee in reporting the armed neutrality bill in getting it out of committee and before they were killed at the close of the session. He said that Stone did not express his personal opinion and leave the bill to the mercy of the "filibustering few."

This defense, Stone's opponents say, however, is "worse than illogical and shilly-shallying." They declare the unwritten rules of the Senate say the chairman of a committee must do what the committee orders him to do; that he violated these unwritten rules when he threw up his hands and the bill—by asking Senator Hitchcock to lead the battle for the armed neutrality measure. They say that whatever his personal convictions, he should have gone through with the fight.

Stone denied himself to everyone today. Even notes sent in to him, in seclusion in his office, saying that the country would like to hear his side of the case, failed to draw him out. He refused absolutely even to see anyone.

HOME RULE INQUIRY LIKELY

Commission to Investigate Conditions in Ireland Planned.

LONDON, March 7.—The government is understood to have decided to authorize the appointment of a commission to investigate the situation in Ireland and report whether the initiation of home rule measures before the close of the war will be possible.

The project to grant further concessions while the conflict continues has powerful opposition in England, and the Ulster commission will endeavor to prevent a legislative crisis.

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WHOLE COUNTRY AROUSED

Security League Flooded With Messages Denouncing Filibuster.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The headquarters of the National Security League announces that telegrams from prominent citizens in all parts of the country are being received denouncing the filibuster against the armed ship bill and pledging support to President Wilson in any action he may take. A statement issued by the league reads in part:

"All the messages received are indicative of vigilant patriotism. James G. Cutler, president of the Cutler Realty Company, of Rochester, writes that the following telegram has been sent

All the News All the Time and Particularly Washington News.